# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
# LOK SABHA

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NEW SELF EMPLOYMENT SCHEMES FOR MANUAL SCAVENGERS
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**Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Union Government has launched any major self- employment scheme for manual scavengers;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which the new scheme is likely to be launched?

## Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SMT. SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN)

(a) to (c) Yes, Sir. A new Self Employment Scheme for Rehabilitation of Manual Scavengers (SRMS) has been launched in January, 2007. The scheme aims at rehabilitation of remaining manual scavengers and their dependents through capacity building, concessional credit and credit linked capital subsidy.